

# RADON ACTION WEEK

OCTOBER 18-24, 2009

Protect your family.  
Test Your Home.



**Governor Granholm has declared the week of October 18-24, 2009, to be  
Radon Action Week in Michigan.**

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Nearly 1 in 15 homes in the United States would be expected to have an elevated indoor radon level, and in Michigan approximately 1 in 8 homes would be expected to have a radon problem.

Radon is a tasteless, odorless, colorless, radioactive gas that is naturally occurring in soil and rock. It enters buildings through openings in the foundation floor or walls (sump openings; crawlspaces; floor/wall joints; cracks; space around plumbing, wiring, or ductwork; etc.).

Radon has no warning symptoms (it does not cause headaches, nausea, fatigue, etc.); the only known health effect is an increased risk of lung cancer!

Any home could have a radon problem. It doesn't matter whether it's old or new; energy efficient or drafty; or built over a basement, over a crawlspace, or built slab-on-grade—it could have a problem, so ALL homes should be tested. The only way to know if your home has a radon problem is to test it!

**One in 8 Michigan Homes  
Could Have an Elevated  
Indoor Radon Level!**



**TEST Your Home for RADON Today!**

Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States, resulting in more than 21,000 new lung cancers each year (more than 600 of those in Michigan alone!).

EPA and the Surgeon General recommend that all homes be tested for radon.

***Protect yourself and your loved ones!  
Test your home for radon today!***

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